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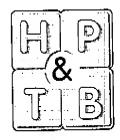
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MEMORANDUM

DATE:

February 20, 2009

TO:

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SUBJECT:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/683,918

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Mr. Taylor:

Please find attached to this memorandum an agenda for a telephonic interview regarding the above referenced application. During our recent phone conversation we agreed that you would call me at 1pm Eastern on February 26, 2009. I can be reached directly at (408) 414-1231. I look forward to receiving your call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Agenda for Telephone Interview at 1pm Eastern on February 26, 2009

- I. <u>Discussion of the proposed amendments to Claim 1 (see attachment).</u> Support for the amendments to Claim 1 can be found throughout Applicants' specification including, for example, in paragraphs [0044-0053].
- II. Discussion of why Claim 1 as amended is patentable over Aura as cited in the most recent Final Office Action. In particular, to the extent that Aura describes sending and receiving an accounting record in network messages it does not do so in Remote Authentication Dial In User Service protocol (RADIUS) messages by an Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA) server.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CLAIM 1

(Currently amended) A <u>computer-implemented</u> method for improving service accounting in a network, the method comprising the steps of: in response to a first A[[a]]uthentication, A[[a]]uthorization, and A[[a]]ccounting (AAA) server receiving a request to authenticate and authorize a client, said first server obtaining an accounting record for the client and said first server sending an accounting record for the client and said first server sending an accounting record message that includes at least a portion of the accounting record within the message;

causing at least a portion the accounting record to be logged; and a second authentication, authorization, and accounting AAA server receiving, subsequent to the sending, a RADIUS start session message that includes at least a portion the accounting record within the message; wherein the first AAA server and the second AAA server are configured to implement the RADIUS network protocol.